



## Weekly Bulletin

### **Parish Mission Statement:**

*We are God's Instruments who strive to grow by sharing and nurturing our joint commitment to Christ's message of love. And by committing ourselves to serve the needs of the parish as stewards for the sake of God's kingdom.*

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### **Perpetual Adoration Chapel OPEN 24 HOURS**

#### Parish Staff

Fr. Carlos Sierra Tobon, **Pastor**

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Msgr. Fady Boktor: **Pastor of Holy Family Coptic Catholic Church**

Mr. Raymond Frendo, **Deacon**

Mrs. Rhoda Marcoccia, **Administrative Assistant**

#### Masses

Monday to Saturday - 9:30 am

Saturday - 5:30 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday - 7:45 am, 9:00 am (Italian)

10:30 am, 12 noon &

7:00 pm (English)

#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Contact the Office 1 year in advance.

**Sacrament of Penance:** Please contact the parish office.

#### Schools

St. Marcellus: 15 Denfield Street, Etobicoke, ON M9R 3H2 416-393-5311

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Transfiguration: 55 Ludstone Dr, Etobicoke, ON M9R 2J2 416-393-5276

*"Please remember us in your will"*

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

**You are salt and light in a dark and tasteless world** - As salt, Jesus disciples are to be all three of these things. They are to be the seasoning that draws out what is good. They are to be the preservative that keeps what is good. And they are to be an ingredient in the altar's incense that signifies what is holy and pleases God. But if the salt becomes tasteless and loses its saltiness it does none of these things.

If You (His followers) lose your saltiness you become useless to serve as salt. You (His followers) are no longer good for anything except for one thing, to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

When Jesus told his disciples, You are the light of the world. He was telling them that they are the beacon fires of truth that reveal the reality of God's goodness and contrast with man's wickedness.

You (Jesus's followers, His disciples) are an example of God's goodness to the world. Just as no one lights a lamp and hides its light by putting it under a basket, but rather puts it on the lamp stand so that it gives light to all in the house, so you (His followers) are to let your light shine before men in such a way that other people take notice. They are to live in such a way that others may see their good works, not for the purpose of mistaking the servant for the King, but in such a way that when others notice, they glorify the King (your Father) who is in heaven. Jesus's followers are to live in such a way where other people can see God's goodness. (The Bible Says)

### ITALIAN NIGHT

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting an Italian Night Dinner and Dance on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. We are inviting everyone to come out and enjoy a wonderful evening with your fellow parishioners, friends and family. The menu includes Antipasto, Lasagna, Veal, Salad, Mixed Veggies, Potatoes and dessert. We will also have a cash bar. The cost is \$40 per person.

For tickets please contact the Grand Knight Romey Simon Sebastiampillai at [romeysimon@hotmail.com](mailto:romeysimon@hotmail.com)

### COFFEE SUNDAY

We will hold our First Coffee Sunday next weekend on February 12<sup>th</sup> following the 9:00 am, 10:30 am, & 12:00 noon Masses. We ask as before for donations of baked goods to serve with coffee after each Mass. All are welcome. We kindly ask those attending to park in the school lot to allow those coming to Mass access to parking. Thank you to the Catholic Women's League for reinstating this monthly Coffee Sunday.

### THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Most urgently needed are individually packaged snacks, e.g. chips/cookies/granola bars, juices & bottled water, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, men's new underwear, socks, jeans warm gloves, winter hats & scarves, towels. Items can be placed in the blue bin located at the reception area of the parish office.

### PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP

Please join us for a transformative experience as you develop a more profound relationship with God. Participants will learn and deepen skills in the art of prayer in 15 weekly sessions of two hours each. Participants will overcome anxieties through healing and reconciliation, acceptance and surrender.

**When:** Every Wednesday from Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>;  
June 3<sup>rd</sup> is a 1-day Retreat

**Where:** Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish Hall

**Time:** 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

No registration fee. Material fee: \$20.00

**Contact:** Ana Orellana at [aorellan55@gmail.com](mailto:aorellan55@gmail.com)

### PREMS-APPROACH

This is a program with a method to work with the individuals and their families dealing with intellectual challenges such as Autism and Down Syndrome.

**Weekly Sessions:** Mondays at 7:15 pm in our parish hall starting February 27<sup>th</sup>

**Contact Information:** Linda Ward 416.473.1149 and Fr. Carlos Sierra Tobon 416.247.0513

**Note:** There will be a form to be completed for the candidates in the program. Please refer to the parish office for further information.

We are seeking volunteers to help with the program and has scheduled a special meeting to train volunteers on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> in our parish hall at 7:15 pm. Kindly let us know if you are interested in helping individuals to rise above their abilities.

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

**Please remember the following people in your prayers:**

Theresa Burns, Sonja Schryer, Noemy Pereira, Clint Viegas, Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston, Raphael Colaco, Dana McGrath, Roman Joe Zakrajse, Enzo, Domenica, Teresa Pirrello, Margaret Speciale, Joe Simardone, Margaret Ramjattan, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Karen Radeoczy, Paul Jensen

### PRAY FOR OUR DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

**Pauline Cicci, Adelina Fiorini**

### TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for the year 2022 are now in production and you will be receiving them by mail on or before February 6th, 2023. Thank you for your support of our church. Have a Blessed New Year!

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for January 29<sup>th</sup> was \$5,074.00. Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G). Thank you to all.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Get Inspired, Meet Like-Minded Women, Discover your Mission. Keynote Speaker Sr. Deirdre Byrne. Opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins at 9 am.

**Location:** The Old Mill **Registration:** 8 am **Time:** 9 am to 4 pm

For more information call 416.907.1042

Early Bird Registration \$65 (before Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>)

Register at [www.dynamicwomenfaith.com](http://www.dynamicwomenfaith.com)

## A PATHWAY TO THE FUTURE

### *Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith Video Contest*

This contest is an opportunity for young learners to explore the theme and appreciate the value of diverse faith traditions. We encourage participants to not only highlight the contest theme but to reach out to collaborate and engage with people of diverse cultural and religious backgrounds.

The contest begins on Monday, February 6 and closes on Monday, April 17. The length of the video should not be more than three minutes. For complete contest details, please see the poster at <https://bit.ly/3ZF99kF>.

The video can be submitted at this link:

<https://www.catholicregister.org/videocontest>.

## MEDITAZIONE SPIRITUALE

**Il sale della piet  e la luce della giustizia** - Onorati, di essere pi  importanti di una citt  e pi  importanti di un prezioso elemento commerciale come il sale: ma come possiamo essere sale della terra e luce del mondo? Dando senso e sapore alle cose che facciamo? Riempiendo di valori la societ ? Guidando tutti alla verit ? Illuminando la vita di chi sta nelle tenebre? Queste sono tutte cose che ha gi  fatto e continua a fare il Maestro. Adesso serve qualcuno che - come dice il profeta Isaia nella prima lettura - torni a far splendere la luce come un'aurora e che rimargini le ferite, proprio come fa il sale. E rimarginare le ferite dell'umanit  significa "dividere il pane con l'affamato, introdurre in casa i miseri e i senza tetto, vestire uno che vedi nudo, senza trascurare i tuoi parenti". Risplendere come l'aurora fra le tenebre significa "togliere di mezzo a te l'oppressione, il puntare il dito e il parlare empio, aprire il tuo cuore all'affamato, saziare l'afflitto di cuore". Altro che insaporire il mondo come depositari dei valori e illuminare la terra come se fossimo il faro dell'umanit ! Il nostro compito   ristabilire l'alleanza tra Dio e la terra sanando le ferite dell'umanit ; la nostra missione   di far risplendere la luce della giustizia in un mondo che di giustizia ne ha poca.

Siamo noi, il sale della terra; siamo noi, la luce del mondo. E ricordiamoci che nessun altro, al nostro posto, pu  fare questo. (don Alberto Brignoli)

## COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

Grazie per la vostra generosit . La colletta regolare della settimana 29 Gennaio e' stata \$5,074.00. Grazie ancora per il vostro contributo per aiutare con le spese della chiesa.

## MASS INTENTIONS INTENZIONI DELLE MESSE

### Sunday February 5 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All Living & Deceased Members of Transfiguration of Our Lord Church

9:00 am † Francesca & Giuseppe Giannone,  
† Maria Bombardieri, † Antonio Graziosi

10:30 am †Nicola Biancofiore †Robert Pereira, †Matthew Brake  
† Tomas Villar, † Nguyen Phu, † Anna & Joseph Vu

12:00 pm † Marian Ziolowski, † Kathleen Browne

1:30 pm Igbo Mass

7:00 pm † Dave Rixson, † Juana De La Cruz Rodriguez

### Monday February 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

9:30 am † Antonio Alano Jr., † Paul & Lucy Sciberras,  
† Carmel Debono, † John & Kate Geras

10:30 am Funeral Mass: Adelina Fiorini

### Tuesday February 7

9:30 am † Patricia Gieshe, John & Helen Mc Erlain,

† Franco & Bruno Bellissimo and  
Special Blessing for Maria Bellissimo

### Wednesday February 8 Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

9:30 am

7:00 am 1-Year Memorial Mass: Maria Bombardieri

### Thursday February 9

9:30 am † Fernando & Maria Silva

### Friday February 10 Saint Scholastica, Virgin

9:30 am † Jose Tolentino

### Saturday February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes, BVM

9:30 am

2:00 pm Baptism

3:30 pm Mass at Parkland Seniors' Residence

4:30 pm Confession

5:30 pm † Juana De La Cruz Rodriguez

### Sunday February 12 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All Living & Deceased Members of Transfiguration of Our Lord Church

9:00 am † Giacomo Giorgio

10:30 am † Giuseppe Cappuccitti, † Maria Petricca, † Marisa  
De Rubeis, † Domenico De Rubeis, † Grazia De Franco

12:00 pm † Anna Mastrovita

7:00 pm † Juana De La Cruz Rodriguez

## LEGACY GIFTS

If you have included your parish or favourite archdiocesan charity in your Will or estate plan, please let us know. Through the Legacy Society of the Archdiocese of Toronto, we would like to say a special thank you. All Legacy Society members are invited to the Annual Legacy Society Lunch & Mass by the Archdiocese of Toronto. They also receive:

- A hand-crafted cross blessed by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins.
- A personal letter from Cardinal Collins and a certificate acknowledging your intention.
- Invitations to Legacy Society functions and other special events.

Let your legacy be a testament of your faith! All Legacy Society members have the option of remaining anonymous. If you have any questions, please contact the Development Office at: [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org) or 416 934 3400 ext. 519.

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